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Title: Method and Apparatus for Hot Carrier Programmed One Time

Programmable (OTP) Memory

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Foreign Document(s)

1. JP 2000-049242

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